GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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Shortage of IPS Officers
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Regular Recruits (RR) in the Indian Police Services (IPS) cadre in the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;

(b) whether there is shortage of IPS officers in the country, if so, the details thereof and the total number of vacancies in the IPS, State/UT-wise;

(c) whether the Government has taken any steps to fill up all the vacancies of IPS officers and if so, the details thereof;

(d) the total number of State Police Service officers inducted into the IPS during the said period, State/UT-wise;

(e) whether there is any legal hurdle in recruitment of police officers from the Armed Forces, Central Armed Police Forces and State Police officers for addressing the said shortage and if so, the action taken by the Government to overcome the legal hurdle; and

(f) the steps taken by the Government to increase the strength of IPS officers in the country?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS
(SHRI HARIBHAI PARATHIBHAI CHAUDHARY)

The details of cadre wise vacancies against which recruitments were done through Civil Services Examinations (CSE in short) 2011, 2012 and 2013 are appended at Annexure-"A". DOP&T has allocated Indian Police Service to 150 candidates on the basis of Civil Services Examinations 2014.

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Yes Madam. Vacancy position in Indian Police Service as on 01.01.2015 is annexed at Annexure-"B"

(c) to (f): To fill up the vacancies of IPS officers, the batch-size of IPS (direct recruit) has been increased from 88 to 103 from CSE, 2005, to 130 from CSE, 2008 and to 150 from CSE, 2009. The Government has also introduced a third mode of recruitment to the IPS i.e. "Limited Competitive Examination" to recruit 80 candidates annually. Besides the above, the process of appointments to the Indian Police Service by promotion from State Police Service has been accelerated

During the last three years i.e. 2012, 2013 & 2014 a total of 441 State Police Service officers were inducted into the Indian Police Service. During the current year i.e. 2015, 86 SPS officers have been inducted into the Indian Police Service by promotion. Details are appended as Annexure-"C".

In order to mitigate the shortage of IPS officers, the Government has introduced "Limited Competitive Examination" as the third mode of recruitment to IPS officers. Officers of the rank of Dy. SPs of State Police Services, Assistant Commandants of Central Para-military Forces and Captains and Majors of Defence Forces fulfilling certain eligibility criteria are eligible for appearing in the aforesaid examination. However, a large number of Court Cases have been received in this Ministry, UPSC, DoP&T and MoD challenging various aspects of the scheme of this mode of recruitment. At present, the matter is sub-judice.

As replied in part-"c" above.
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